



NEWS OF THE WEEK—ILLUSTRATED.

HELP ON THE WORK

The Woman's Auxiliary to the Y. M. C. A. Association

IS A POWERFUL AID FOR GOOD

Brief History of Woman's Work in This City—Will Furnish Rooms in the New Building—An Innovation.

Twenty-five years ago when the Young Men's Christian association was first organized in this city the names of the wives of many of the members appeared upon the pages of the secretary's book. While they were regarded as assisting members, that position being usually woman's prerogative, there was nothing in their duties to show that they were not regular active members. At that time their duties were to help and encourage by their womanly presence every effort made by the association in behalf of the young men of this city. They lent their refining influence upon occasions of social features and in many unobtrusive ways aided the members in their duties. They often provided refreshments and supervised the serving of the same at the monthly or occasional socials.

This manner of conducting the work was not satisfactory to the ladies themselves, however, and they resolved to organize and equip for systematic effort the tenth day of April, 1866. A meeting was held at the rooms of the Young Men's Christian association, according to appointment, and a constitution and by-laws were proposed and adopted under the name of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Young Men's Christian association of Grand Rapids. The charter members were Mesdames Dr. S. H. Cobb, N. B. Kromer, J. H. McKee, R. M. Heattie, J. M. Wheeler, E. F. Sweet, O. K. Pearson, L. W. Wood, J. J. Tucker, A. J. Davidson, W. A. Berkeley, E. E. Wilson, M. S. Morgan, Watson, J. F. Brown, J. R. Hargley, Francis Tuttle and the Misses Louisa R. Mitchell, Mary Pickett, Marie Comstock, Hattie Mulhern and Laura McKee. At this meeting Mrs. E. E. Wilson was appointed secretary and Mrs. E. F. Sweet president pro tem.

Officers Were Elected.

At a subsequent meeting the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Mary H. Morgan; first vice-president, Mrs. E. F. Sweet; second vice-president, Mrs. J. H. McKee; secretary, Miss Hattie Mulhern; treasurer, Mrs. Dr. S. H. Cobb. Several new names were added to the membership. The stated object of the auxiliary was "to co-operate with the Young Men's Christian Association in its efforts for the spiritual, mental, social and physical improvement of young men." Standing committees were named as follows: On rooms and decoration, on library, on socials, on refreshments and on music, all committees to co-operate with similar committees of the association. Great interest was taken in the work and a backward glance reveals the names of Mesdames Wilder D. Stevens, R. W. Corson, M. S. Crosby, Henry Grinnell, S. B. Jenks, Charles Watkins, R. W. McNeill, Henry S. Smith, Misses Susan Hedges, Annie F. Baars, Belle Pittsford, Anna Waters, Kate Bennett, Emily Morgan, Stella Champlin, Mary C. Atwater and others on the various committees, many of whom still continue in the work. During the first year womanly tact and kindness prompted the ladies to interest themselves in the sick of the association and to make the rooms more attractive by new furnishings. Walls were repapered, new curtains were hung, carpets were laid and pictures were added. A bookcase for the library was purchased and a social evening with supper was tendered the delegates to the state convention. Upon the resignation of Mrs. Morgan in '87, Miss J. Morgan Smith was elected president, which office she held until the annual meeting last month, when she was obliged to resign because of ill health. Mrs. Smith has been one of the warmest friends of the auxiliary, her husband, the late Rev. J. Morgan Smith, having been a beloved and useful worker in the Y. M. C. A. from its inception to the time of his death.

The present membership of the auxiliary is about thirty and they hope to furnish the rooms in the grand new building which is now in process of erection.

Furniture Gifts Expected.

Of course a large sum of money will be required, but the ladies are sanguine of success. In a city rich in furniture manufacturing establishments they apprehend that many gifts of value will be donated and each article will be counted as so much cash. They have been bright and shining examples of similar work accomplished in other cities where different methods are employed in the woman's auxiliary movement. At Providence, R. I., the prominent ladies of the city are to hold a public meeting in the interest of the Y. M. C. A. work the latter part of the month, and Secretary C. S. Ward of this city has consented to address them at that time. The auxiliary consists of a committee of women selected from the various churches. These ladies interest others and send the work spreads. At New Britain, Conn., where Mr. Ward was formerly located, a new building was erected and a committee of ten ladies auxiliary to the association resolved to

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FOR MICHIGAN GUESTS.

How Wolverines Will Be Entertained at Minneapolis.

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HOW HE TELLS IT

Foster Explains His System of Weather Forecasts

COMPARATIVE FIGURES QUOTED

Showing That He Hits It Often Than He Misses It—Proof of the Facts Provided—The Weather.

Mr. Foster says in his last weather bulletin: My last bulletin gave forecasts of the storm to cross the continent from May 14 to 18. The next will be due to reach the Pacific coast about May 19, cross the western mountains by the close of May 20, the great central valleys from May 21 to 23, and the eastern states about May 24. This will be a very dangerous storm. I cannot say where it will develop its greatest force, but probabilities point to the country between the Mississippi river and the Rocky mountains on May 21 or 22. The cool wave will cross the western mountains about May 22, the great central valleys about May 24, and the eastern states about May 26. Light frost may be expected in the northern states accompanying this cool wave. Much unsettled and stormy weather may be expected in the northern states during the last half of May.

Weather Hindcasts.

For the purpose of my weather forecasts, I divide the United States into six divisions running north and south, and averaging about sixteen degrees in width. The storm waves do not move around the geographical, but around the magnetic north pole which is near 70 north latitude and 97 west longitude, or northwest of Baffin's bay. The magnetic north pole being about twenty degrees south of the earth's geographic north pole, it will be readily seen that the magnetic meridians and parallels are not the same as the geographic, therefore when I use the word meridian in reference to storm waves, have a reference to the magnetic meridians. The centers of my weather divisions run nearly north and south, not far from the following points, beginning in the west and proceeding eastward as the storm waves move: First division, Olympia, Washington, and Fort Assiniboine in British America; second division, Los Angeles, California and Boise City, Idaho; third division, Santa Fe, Black Hills and Qu-Appelle; fourth division, Galveston, Kansas City and Winnipeg; fifth division, Kansas, Florida, Cincinnati and Macon, Georgia; sixth division, New York City and the south end of Hudson's Bay.

Storm Wave Barometers.

Each of these divisions represent the average movement eastward of the storm waves for one day, and the range of the magnetic storm waves lies between twenty-five and sixty degrees north latitude. The latitudes of the storm centers and their running mates, the high barometers, are governed by the positions of the tropical storms and the sun, moon and planets. The storm wave, consisting of a pair of high and low barometers, tied together at their tops and bottoms by an electric cord constituting their energy and motive power, is the key to all weather changes, and it matters not where the storm centers cross these magnetic meridians, whether at Galveston or Minneapolis, they cause the periodic weather changes from warm to cool and back to warm again about every six days, which every observant person may have noticed. There are other storm wave periods, however, interlocked with these six day storm waves, that greatly complicate the weather problem.

Predictions Verified.

The most important feature in making weather forecasts is to determine when the storm wave will cross the weather divisions described above. If we can know the date when the storm wave will reach the Olympic meridian on the Pacific coast, we know that it will cross one of my weather divisions, on an average, about every day, providing always that it is not interfered with by that system of tropical storm waves which visit the gulf of Mexico and the West Indies. These storm waves move entirely across the United States from west to east in five or six days with a few exceptions. Taking the government daily weather maps as standard authority as to past weather events, I find that out of my 1332 published local forecasts for April, 1322 were verified and 300 were not. Below I give the number of each class of forecasts for April with the results:

200 Storm waves; 141 verified; 59 not	141	59
170 Wind veering; 142 " 28 "	142	28
200 Cooler; 148 " 52 "	148	52
194 Clearing; 146 " 48 "	146	48
188 Cool; 168 " 20 "	168	20
180 Fair; 148 " 32 "	148	32
192 Moderating; 148 " 44 "	148	44
208 Warming; 138 " 66 "	138	66

Home Predictions.

For the Grand Rapids magnetic meridian I published forty predictions for the month of April, of which thirty-three were verified and seven were not. These weather events being predicted for sunset of the dates given, the forecasts were verified if the weather event occurred between the sunset of the day before and the day after, and I find that of the whole number of forecasts made for April, about one-half were verified on the day predicted and one-half the day following. The per cent of verifications is as

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HE CAUGHT ON.

The Boy from the Country Proved an Apt Pupil.

A good story is going the rounds of a bright but unsophisticated youth from the country who had influence enough to get him a good berth in a New York agency, says the Brooklyn Citizen. The managing partner was much pleased with the youth's manliness, and after having given him full instructions as to his duties, sent him to canvas in New England.

"Of course," said the manager, "we expect you to be economical in your expenses, and to keep a detailed account of them."

It was not likely that the youth from the country was going to escape gaudy by his wily employer.

"It's a great thing in our line," said one, "to be well dressed. Good clothes, well made, go a great way with our customers."

"Well, I'm all right in that respect," said the youth, "am I not?"

"I guess you'll do for this journey," said another, "for, of course you'll get a suit of clothes out of your first trip."

The youth accomplished his journey, and on his return presented to his manager an itemized bill of expenses. The manager glanced it over and said:

"I don't understand this last item: 'One suit of clothes, thirty-five dollars.' What does that mean?"

"Why, I understood I was to put that in the bill," was the reply.

"Oh, dear, no!" the manager said. "We can't go so far as that. The other items are all right, but that must come out."

On the youth's return from his second trip he gave the manager a bill of expenses. The manager looked it over and said:

"All that's all right. There's no suit of clothes here."

"Oh, yes, there is," the youth exclaimed, with a bright smile. "It's there, but you don't see it."

BLACK BUCK HUNTING.

Quoted Method by Which Hunters of India Capture the Black Buck.

The black buck of India is a very graceful animal weighing between thirty and fifty pounds. The hide of the male when full grown is of a black color on the back, while the belly is as white as snow, the contrast being very striking, says a writer in *St. Nicholas*. The horns are black and spiral in shape and in length measure about eighteen inches, although they have been known to reach twenty-six inches. The animals are usually found in herds and are difficult to approach on foot, as the bucks toss their heads into the air from time to time in a very graceful manner and some of them are almost sure to detect any attempt at stalking. They are at times hunted on horseback, but the usual method in many sections is to use a conveyance very much like the back of a horse, only shorter, and made of wood. This is on wheels, is drawn by bullocks and is called a jungle cart. It is very close to the ground and from both sides project flat pieces of wood upon which the feet rest. The inside is hollow and holds ammunition and luncheon. It is believed that they take the queer little wooden arrangement on wheels for a plow, and consequently are not much alarmed as it draws nearer and nearer in ever-decreasing circles. The bullocks move at the word of command and are accompanied by a shikaree or native hunter. The bucks never seem to fear the inhabitants, doubtless having learned they are without guns and therefore not to be dreaded.

Special Church Notices.

Unitarian, evening, "The Evolution of Faith in Immortality."

Evening, "Why I Am an Agnostic, an Atheist and a Theist."

Plainfield Avenue Methodist, morning, "Echoes from Calvary." In the evening, the Rev. A. M. Gould will preach.

Second Street M. E. morning, "The True Source of Wealth;" evening, the anniversary of the Epworth League.

New Jerusalem, morning, "The New Doctrine Concerning the Holy Spirit;" evening, "Whose Son Is He?"

Trinity, matins, "The Church and Other Denominations;" even song, "The Church and Politics."

Fountain Street Baptist, evening, "The Summer Sunday of Grand Rapids."

Seventh Day Adventist, evening, "What Must We Do to Be Saved?"

Universalist, morning, "Man's Inheritance and Possibilities."

Progressive Spiritualists, psychometric readings.

Calvary Baptist, evening, "The Day-spring."

Westminster Presbyterian, no service today.

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Plans for the Buildings.

Originally the sum of \$4000 had been set aside for the purpose, but this amount has been increased, as seemed to demand it. A. W. Bush & Sons, the well-known architects, have drawn the plans, generously donating their work although they will receive compensation for supervising the work. The building will be remodeled in design, built of red pressed brick with sandstone, which is a pretty gray-brown, and a slate roof. The exterior will be 50x38 feet, two stories high with a basement, and will contain fourteen rooms beside the reception hall, library, entrance and basement. The main entrance will open on Bridge street, the location of the home being immediately north of the hospital. There will be a reception hall 16x11 feet in area with a pretty fireplace. In a bay in front there will be a long line of lockers which can also be used as a sitting room. Five bedrooms, some double and some single, complete the remainder of this floor. Seven sleeping apartments will fill the upper floor, with closets in every room and some extra. There will be a pleasant balcony over the entrance. Space will be found in the basement for a toilet room, bathroom, room, store room, baggage room and one sleeping room. Both rooms will be found on every floor. There will be no kitchen or household appliances, as all meals are taken in the hospital building.

Exterior Appearance.

The entire exterior will be plain. Wrought iron grille work will cap the main entrance above which will appear the principal memorial tablet containing the inscription, "Kendall Home for Nurses," worked in metal. A bay in front of the old family house will be adjusted to the front entrance. At the left hand corner of the building will appear a small tablet with the names of George and Esther Kendall. The approach from the street will be a flight of steps and a covered walk will be ample for twenty nurses, though more can be housed by crowding a little.

The contract has not yet been let, but will be soon. Work will then begin immediately and it is expected to have the building ready for occupancy by October. It will be under the general charge of the management of St. Mark's hospital.

Like the lives of those whom the building is to exemplify it will be plain and modest in every way. What the building is completed simple religious services will mark the dedication which will be without ostentation. Though the large hearted people who are so generously contributing this beautiful and convenient home are averse to a public, or indeed any exposure of thanks, they cannot but receive great blessings for their practical philanthropy.

Gave a Box Social.

The Grand Rapids Sunday school gave a